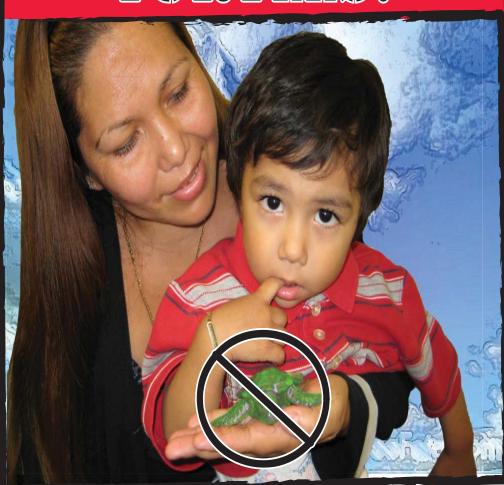
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BEST FRIEND!

REPTILE-ASSOCIATED SALMONELLOSIS

Turtles and other reptiles such as tortoises, lizards and snakes are carriers of a germ called *Salmonella*, which can make children very sick, causing fever, chills, diarrhea, nausea and sometimes vomiting.

The following story is based on real events.

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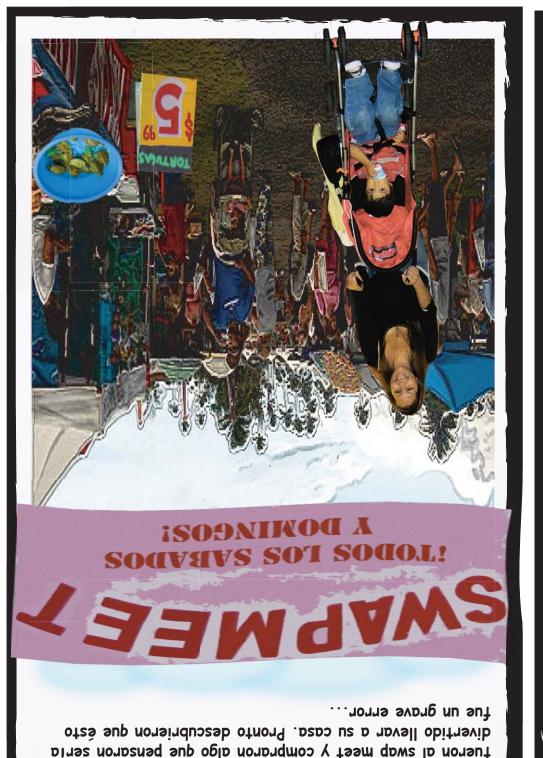


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La siguiente historia está basada en eventos de la vida real.

Las tortugas pequeñas y grandes y otros reptiles como las lagartijas y las víboras, cargan el germen llamado Salmonella que puede enfermar a los niños y causarles fiebre, escalofríos, diarrea, calambres abdominales, y a veces vómito.

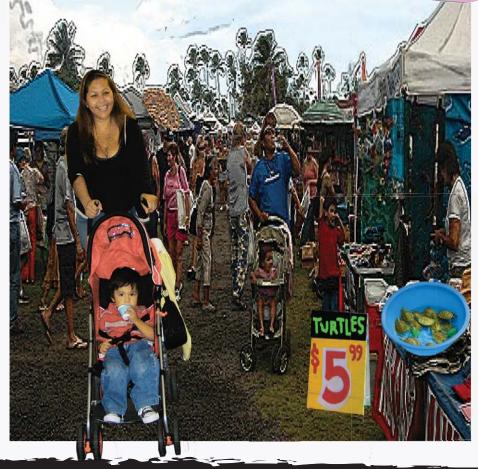




Un domingo por la mañana, Lorena Diaz y su hijo Antonio

One Sunday morning, Lorena Diaz and her son Antonio went to the local swap meet and bought something that they thought would be a great addition to their home. Soon they would discover that it was a dangerous mistake...

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They are a great pet for your child and very cheap!



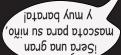






















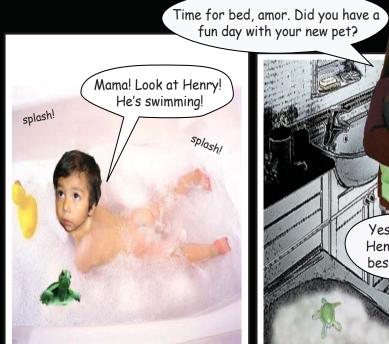
I wonder if mama will let him swim in













Yes, mama! Henry is my

best friend!













At the appointment...

Mrs. Diaz, we are going to test your son for salmonellosis. Here is a formula to hydrate him. Call me if he gets worse.

Thank you, Doctor Romero!

Three days later at a follow-up appointment...





Here, mi amor. Drink this. We will have to give Henry away to Tía Sonia because he made you so sick.



Aquí tienes mi amor. Toma ésto. Vamos a regalar a Henry a tu tía Sonia porque te causó enfermedad.



Tres dias despues en una cita de seguimiento...











Turtles are not safe pets for young children. They should not be kept in the home, at childcare centers, preschools, or in early childhood education programs.

Do not buy a turtle (less than 4 inches in width), especially if you are pregnant, if you have children under the age of 5, or if you have any chronic health problems. *Salmonella* germs can survive for weeks on surfaces and objects (such as clothing, carpets, and toys).

If you already have a turtle, follow the tips below for child and turtle safety:



Wash your hands after each time you touch, hold or clean your pet, its cage or food.

Keep your turtle's living area clean.





Do not bathe your turtle in the kitchen sink or next to places where you keep and cook your food.

Do not allow children under the age of 5 to play with turtles.



Avoid contaminating the bathtub. Always sanitize the area where you clean the turtle or its equipment.

Do not put your turtle into a local lake if you no longer want it. Instead, call a turtle organization or the City Animal Control Department.



Find out how to take good care of your pet turtle because a sick turtle sheds more *Salmonella* and that's more dangerous! Visit http://www.ph.lacounty.gov/acd/Diseases/Reptiles.htm

For more information about Reptile-Associated Salmonellosis, please contact the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd
Telephone (213) 240-7941 (Ask for the Health Education Unit)

Para más información relacionada con la Salmonelosis Asociada con los Reptiles, favor de llamar al Departamento de Salud Pública. http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd Teléfono (213) 240-7941 (Pregunte por la Oficina de Educación de Salud)

Informese de cómo mantener la salud de su tortuga porque una tortuga enferma despide más $\mathbf{Salmonella}$ que una tortuga saludable. http://www.ph.lacounty.gov/acd/Diseases/Reptiles.htm



Por favor no tire su tortuga en un lago local si ya no la quiere. Mejor llame a una organización de tortugas o al Departamento de Control de Animales.

Evite contaminar la tina del baño. Siempre desintecte el área donde limpia la tortuga o sus artículos.



No permita que los niños menores de 5 años jueguen con las tortugas.

 N_0 lave la tortuga en el fregadero de la cocina o en los lugares donde mantiene γ cocina su comida.





Mantenga limpio el lugar donde vive la tortuga.

o limpie su mascota.



Lávese las manos cada vez que toque, aganne

Si tiene una tortuga, siga las siguentes recomendaciones para mantener la seguridad de los niños y las tortugas. Los gérmenes de la **Salmonella** pueden sobrevivir por semanas en las superficies y en los objetos (por ejemplo en la ropa, las alfombras y los juguetes).

Las tortugas no son mascotas seguras para los niños pequeños. No deben de estar en los programas de pre-kinder.

 N_0 compre una tortuga (menos de 4 pulgadas de ancho), especialmente si usted está embarazada, si tiene niños menores de cinco años, o si tiene alguna entermedad crónica.

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